Dear Addison Resident:

On behalf of the entire City Council, I am pleased to announce that the Town of Addison is preparing for the popular program called Addison Citizen Academy. The overall mission of this program is to help our residents develop a better understanding of the Town of Addison and its municipal functions in a fun and interactive forum.

The program consists of three Saturday sessions held on October 23, November 6, and November 20. The sessions cover a variety of civic and local government issues such as City Council roles and responsibilities, strategic planning, economic development, tourism, parks & recreation, public works, public safety, regional intergovernmental relations, and many other Addison-focused municipal topics. In addition, each session will cover selected topics that are followed by special project assignments associated with the topics. Former graduates have gone on to serve on various boards and committees such as Planning and Zoning Commission and the Addison Arbor Foundation.

Approximately 30 students will be accepted into the class on a <u>first come</u>, <u>first serve basis</u>. Interested residents must be at least 18 years of age, provide proof of Addison residency of one year, and submit a completed Addison Citizen Academy Application Form. For your convenience, you may click on the link to download an application (PDF document) or pickup one up from Town Hall. Applications will **only** be accepted at Addison Town Hall, 5300 Belt Line Road, Addison, Texas 75001, until September 3, 2004. An enrollment fee of \$35.00 is required that partially offsets the cost of meals and course supplies/materials.

If you are interested in learning more about your local municipal government and how it operates, please join the 2004 Addison Citizen Academy. If you have any questions, please call Mario Canizares at (972) 450-7017.

Sincerely,

R. Scott Wheeler Mayor